

**BOARD OF SELECTMEN
MINUTES OF May 28, 2015**

PRESENT: Mr. Robert E. Lavash, Sr., Chairman, Mr. Dario Nardi, Vice-Chairman and Mr. James A. Gagner, Clerk

ATTENDEES: Patricia Cantor, Martin Nofio, Ken Frazier, Barry Mongeon, Donald Nickerson and Vincent McCaughey

Chairman Lavash called the meeting to order at 6:30 PM at Quaboag Regional Middle High School and dispensed with the Pledge of Allegiance at this time.

The purpose of this evening's meeting is to discuss the funding for the Article for the Downtown Redesign Project. The "non-participating" work in the project (water/sewer) is not being funded by the grant money. Since the start of this project it was clear to all that the town would be responsible for funding this portion.

Town Treasurer, William Schlosstein recommended that some of the funds come from residual capital projects and the remaining monies come from stabilization.

Mr. Schlosstein suggested the following:

Highway Barn Construction.....	\$6,396
Police Station Building Plans.....	1,445
Shepard Municipal Building Improvements.....	4,588
Sewer Enterprise Fund Retained Earnings.....	12,471
Post War Rehabilitation Trust Fund.....	100
Stabilization Fund.....	<u>125,000</u>
Total	\$150,000

Selectmen's Assistant, Mrs. Acerra stated that she had several conversations with both the engineer at Lenard Engineering, Inc. and MassDOT and the numbers came out to over \$157,000.00. These figures (cost estimates) were based on the historical data provided by District II at MassDOT as well as industry standards.

All in attendance felt that it would be better to err on the side of caution and increase the number from stabilization from \$125,000.00 to \$135,000.00 for a total of \$160,000.00.

This vote will be by secret ballot and will require a 2/3's vote.

The Board recessed until 7PM. After a brief discussion, the Article Passed.

Motion to Adjourn made by Mr. Gagner; second: Mr. Nardi – unanimous at 7:40PM

Respectfully submitted,

Rebecca Acerra
Selectmen's Assistant

James A. Gagner, Clerk

